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Address:		Phone:	
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Record or Document Requested:

To assist the City with your request, please identify each requested record/document separately. Please be as specific as possible. Non specific inquiries may cause responses to be delayed or may prove to be burdensome and therefore the City may not be able to respond. (Additional sheets may be used) **Submit all requests to the City Clerk's Office.**

See attached

Photocopies are \$0.20 per page (Mailing fee, if applicable is \$3.00 plus postage). Fees must be paid before records are released.

I agree to pay all applicable fees and charges per the City Council Resolution of Fees for any copies I request of the above mentioned document. *Accepted method of payment:* Cash or check. Credit card accepted in person only.

Signature _____

Date _____

For Departmental Use Only:

Action Requested:	Action Taken:	By _____ Date _____
<u>Review Only</u>	<u>Document Reviewed</u>	<u>Non-Existent Document</u>
<u>Copies Requested</u>	<u>Copies Provided</u>	<u>Other (Please Explain)</u>
	<u>Refusal/Reason</u>	

For City Clerk's Use Only:

Date Requestor Notified _____ **Notified By:** _____ **Date Picked Up or Mailed** _____

From: tony higgins <tony.higgins123@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 4:26 PM
To: Records Request
Cc: City Clerk; City Council; Suja Lowenthal; Ann Yang; Lizanne Castillo; Glen Kau
Subject: Re: Freedom of Info Request -part 2

I now understand that at least a portion of the Herondo Island berms were installed under a Redondo Beach City Project.

I understand the project plan was likely submitted to the city of Hermosa Beach for review and comment so that a determination could be made on whether Redondo Beach could proceed with this project without doing a CEQA EIR, that is, issue a Negative Finding.

This Herondo berm project clearly had the potential to significantly alter truck traffic here in Hermosa Beach for the reasons I have cited in my recent letter to the city council.

It was reasonable and foreseeable.

Accordingly, in addition to the information I have already requested on the Herondo Berm project, I also request any information covering communications to/from the city of Redondo Beach regarding the potential effect on truck traffic in Hermosa Beach as a function of the Redondo-Herondo-berm project.

I also request any memos on record discussing whether safety, health and/or quality of life studies related to truck traffic on 27th street as part of:

1. any of the pier avenue renovations in the past 25 years,
2. Any Herondo berm placement projects whether commissioned by the city of Hermosa or Redondo,
3. The recent Hermosa Avenue renovation to 14th street that included installing curb-extensions that restrict large trucks from turning right from Hermosa Avenue northbound.

These curb extensions restrict or discourage large trucks from turning right on 14th street foreseeable and using Pier Avenue for egress.

This effectively directs this heavy truck traffic to 27th street for egress from the business district.

Finally I request drawings showing how the berms overlay the city boundary line.

I believe the west- most berm may lie within Hermosa Beach and would like to prove or disprove this.

See picture below



I will be making a similar request to the city of Redondo Beach.

Thank You

Anthony Higgins

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> On Nov 10, 2018, at 11:27 AM, tony <tony.higgins123@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Dear City Clerk,

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> Attached is a freedom of information request covering the placement of island-berms on Herondo at the intersection with Hermosa Ave.

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> These berms restrict large truck and big rig ingress to Hermosa Avenue and Pier Plaza businesses via Herondo and Hermosa Avenue.

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> As a consequence of both the customer-friendly sidewalks on Pier Ave as a result of multiple renovations, and all stop signs on Pier, truck drivers no longer want to use Pier to access the aforementioned businesses.

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> With the island-berms on Herondo, 27th street became the only viable truck-route to serve these businesses.

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> This information-request addresses matters concerning why the city did not designate 27th a Truck-Route when these berms were installed.
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> 27th street is not the most direct route to the downtown business district and accordingly should have been declared a truck-route if the city was going to limit all other truck ingress.
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> At the point the city made the decision to implement these berms any reasonable person would understand the city effectively declared 27th street a truck-route.
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> The attached information-request asks for documents on city-wide truck traffic studies that were done prior to installing these berms.
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> It requests information on any public hearings and safety & quality of life studies done to determine whether 27th street met reasonable safety-standards to be used as a primary-truck-route prior to the installation of these berms.
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> This request also asks for information on any information that was given to the residents of 27th street about the likely changes in truck traffic patterns as a consequence of installing these berms on Herondo.
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> Clearly Herondo's flat wide topology was better suited as a truck route than 27th streets steep narrow streets and obstructed sidewalks with no curbside parking to act as a barrier between heavy trucks and pedestrians. Then there is the nearby park. Herondo residences are at least 10 times further from the truck traffic than the homes on 27th westbound.
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> That the city would make 27th Street a Truck-Route in this manner demands answers.
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> Thank You
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> Anthony Higgins
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> <Herondo berm document request.pdf>